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BOOK NOTICES.

THE AMERICAN STATE REPORTS, VOL. XLI.—Containing the cases of general value and authority, decided in the courts of last resort of the several States, selected, reported and annotated by A. C. Freeman. Bancroft-Whitney Co., San Francisco, 1895.

The selection of cases for this volume displays the same excellent judgment which marks its predecessors in this invaluable series. In addition to the brief annotations following each opinion, the volume contains several valuable monographic notes. One of these is devoted to the Power to Compel a Party to Produce Books and Papers as Evidence for, or for Examination by, his Adversary (9 pp.); another to Waiver of Mechanics' Liens by Taking Other Security (6 pp.). The interesting and comparatively new doctrine of the Right of Abutting Owners to the Easement of Light and Air from the Street, regardless of the ownership of the fee, is the subject of an elaborate note. This principle was first firmly established in the celebrated litigation in New York, known as the "Elevated Railroad Cases." (*Story v. New York El. R. R. Co.*, 90 N. Y. 122—s. c. 43 Am. Rep. 146, and *Lohr v. Metropolitan El. R. R. Co.*, 104 N. Y. 268). Before the decision in these cases, it was an established doctrine in New York that the operation of a steam railway in the street was not an additional servitude. When the elevated railways were built, the only ground upon which the courts could afford abutting owners relief in damages for the darkening of their houses by the elevated railway structures, and the smoke, soot and cinders from the cars, was that the abutting owners, though the fee of the street was in the city, had an easement of light and air from the street. Other notes are Partition in connection with the Distribution of Decedent's Estates (11 pp.); Rules of Court, including the authority of courts to enact rules, limitations upon the power, and their construction and effect (7 pp.); and the Constitutionality and Construction of Statutes Imposing a Collateral Inheritance Tax (6 pp.).

We have already taken occasion to commend these reports. They are virtually reports and text-books combined. By their use, the practitioner possesses much the same advantage over his old-fashioned adversary, both in economy of time and accuracy of result, as modern machinery possesses over the crude methods of the last century.

HAND-BOOK OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, BY WM. L. CLARK, JR. St. Paul, Minn. West Publishing Company, 1895.

This book belongs to the "HORN-BOOK SERIES" of the West Publishing Co. It is elementary, and its scope is sufficiently indicated by the table of contents:

Ch. I, JURISDICTION. Ch. II, APPREHENSION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY. Ch. III, PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS, BAIL, AND COMMITMENT. Ch. IV, MODE OF ACCUSATION—TIME OF PROSECUTION—NOLLE PROSEQUI, OR WITHDRAWAL. Ch. V, PLEADING—THE ACCUSATION. Ch. VI, PLEADING—THE ACCUSATION (continued). Ch. VII, PLEADING—THE ACCUSATION (continued). Ch. VIII, PLEADING—THE ACCUSATION (continued). Ch. IX, PLEADING—THE ACCUSATION (continued). Ch. X, PLEADING AND PROOF—VARIANCE—CONVICTION OF MINOR OFFENSE. Ch. XI, MOTION TO QUASH, ARRAIGNMENT, DEMURRER, AND PLEAS OF DEFENDANT. Ch. XII, TRIAL AND VERDICT. Ch. XIII, PROCEEDINGS AFTER VERDICT. Ch. XIV, EVIDENCE. Ch. XV, HABEAS CORPUS.